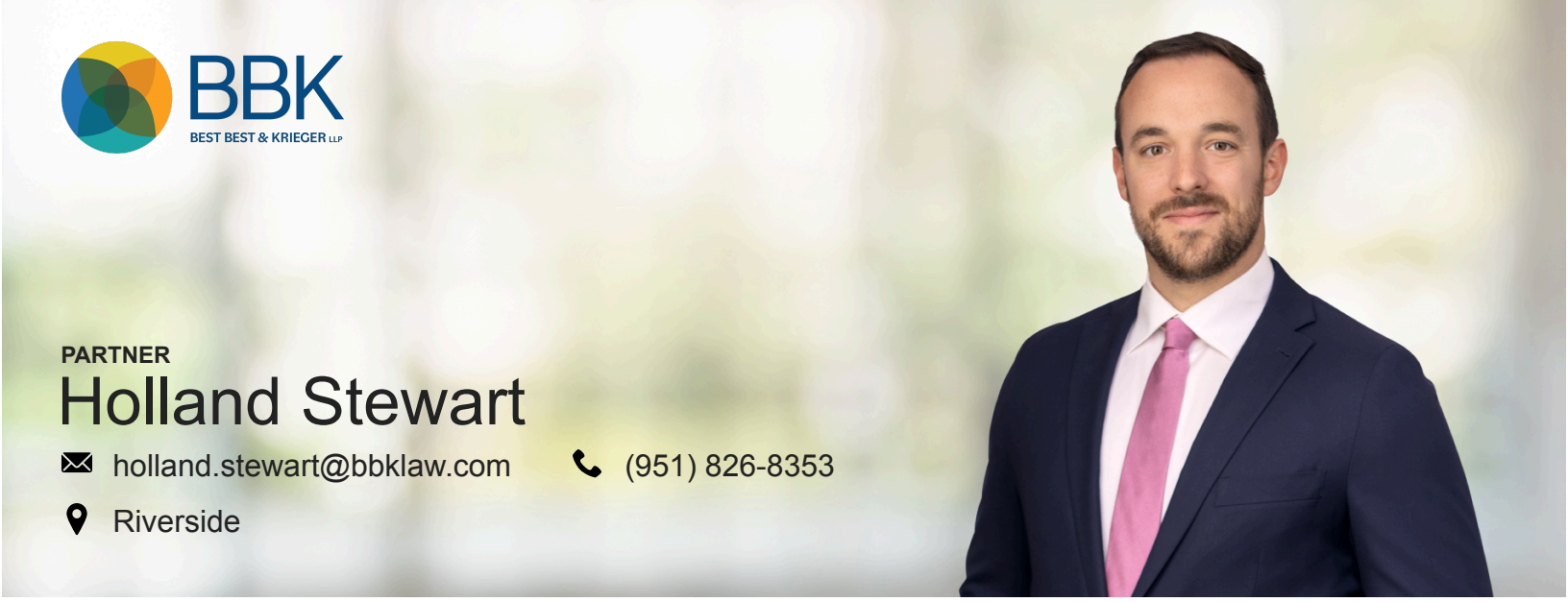

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Holland serves as general counsel to the Desert Water Agency, San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency, Water Facilities Authority, Chino Valley Fire District, Jurupa Community Services District and Arrowhead Lake Association, and deputy general counsel to the Western Municipal Water District. He also serves as chair of the firm's Recruiting Committee.

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CORE PRACTICES

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Native American Law

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Education

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Gordon College, B.A.

Bar Admissions

California

Accolades

- Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch® in America, Municipal Law, 2026
- Lawyer Who Leads By Example, Inland Empire Latino Lawyers Association, 2021
- Attorney of the Year, Inland Empire Latino Lawyers Association, 2019

Professional & Community Involvement

- YMCA of the East Valley, Board Member, 2022-Present
- American Bar Association
- Inland Empire Latino Lawyers Association

- Riverside County Bar Association

Thought Leadership

Presentations

- "'What the Bleep!' The Limits of Public Comment in a Brown Act Meeting," Association of the San Bernardino County Special Districts Meeting, Sept. 6, 2024
- "The More You Know: A Public Service Announcement on California's New Governance and Ethics Laws," Association of California Water Agencies Spring Conference & Expo, May 9, 2024
- "The Nature of Ownership of Native American Land and How Eminent Domain Procedures Are Different," CLE International's 24th Annual Southern California Eminent Domain Conference, Mar. 3, 2022